



GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

PENSIONS – Disbursement of Pension – Procedure for claiming Family Pension after the demise of the spouse or other member of the family - Orders - Issued.

FINANCE (P.S.C.) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 353

Dated: 04 - 12 - 2010.

Read the following:

1. G.O. Ms. No. 438, G.A. (Spl. A) Department, Dated: 07.07.2008.
2. This Department Circular Memo. No. 743/147/PSC/2009, Dated: 29-05-2009.
3. G.O. Ms. No. 315, Fin. (Pen. I) Department, Dated: 07.10.2010.

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ORDER:

In the Government Order 1st read above, orders were issued constituting Ninth Pay Revision Commission and appointing Sri C.S. Rao, IAS., (Retd) as Pay Revision Commissioner.

2. The Ninth Pay Revision Commission submitted its report to the Government on 05.12.2009. In the report, the 9th PRC suggested to issue instructions regarding the procedure to be followed for the payment of Family Pension to the other eligible family members, in cases where the family pension was already authorized by the pension issuing authority along with service pension, in favour of either the spouse or children, who either pre-deceased the service pensioner or subsequently became ineligible for Family Pension either due to death or otherwise. The PRC also made suggestions basing on the then existing definition of family contained in Rule 50 (12) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

3. After the submission of the report of 9th PRC, the Government issued orders in the G.O 3rd read above amending rule 50(5) and rule 50 (12) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, categorizing the family members into two categories adopting the orders issued by the Government of India in their O.M F.No. 38/37/08 P & P.W (A), Dated: 02-09-2008, since the 9th PRC also recommended to adopt the same

categorization in respect of the family pension admissible to the family members of the State Government employees.

4. Keeping in view the revised definition of family members, as per the G.O 3rd read above and the suggestions made by the 9th PRC, new categories of Family Pension beneficiaries would be seeking sanction of Family Pension. To ensure speedy disposal of such claims, the Government hereby issue the following orders.

5. As per the amended provisions contained in Rule 50 (5) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, Family Pension is payable to the family members belonging to category-I of Rule 50 (12) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 viz.

- i. to the spouse up to the date of death or re-marriage whichever is earlier. However, if the spouse is a childless widow, the family pension is payable eve after her marriage until her independent income from all other sources becomes equal to or higher than the minimum family pension together with Dearness Relief prescribed from time to time,
- ii. to the son until he attains the age of 25 years or starts earning whichever is earlier,
- iii. to the unmarried daughter until her marriage or until she attains the age of 25 years or till she starts earning;
- iv. in the case of sons/daughters, who are suffering from any disorder or disability of mind or is physically crippled or disabled, the Family Pension is payable for the entire life subject to the conditions laid down in Rule 50 (5) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as amended in G.O. 3rd read above.

6. If there are no eligible family members falling within Category-I of rule 50 (12) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, then the Family Pension is payable to the family members specified in Category-II of Rule 50 (12) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, subject to the conditions specified in Rule 50 (5) of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 Viz.

- (i) to the un-married / widowed / divorced daughter (not covered by Category-I) upto the date of marriage /re-marriage or till the date she starts earning or upto the date of death provided they are wholly dependent on the employee / Pensioner;
- (ii) to the parents who were wholly dependent on the Government Servant when he / she was alive, upto the date of death, provided the deceased employee has left behind neither a widow nor a child.

7. Normally in the Application form for Pension, the retiring employee has to furnish the list of family members, together with the Descriptive

Rolls of the Pensioner and that of either the spouse or if there is no spouse, that of the other eligible family pension beneficiary existing at the time of submission of application. At that time, the pensioner is not required to furnish the descriptive rolls of the remaining family pension beneficiaries. Basing on the above information received from the Pension Sanctioning Authority, the Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / District Audit Officers of State Audit, while issuing authorization for the payment of service pension are also indicating the name of the family pension beneficiary and the amount of family pension admissible in the event of death of the Service Pensioner.

8. The payment of family pension arises only after the demise of the pensioner. Therefore, after the demise of the service pensioner, the Pension Disbursing Officers can straightaway start payment of family pension to the family pension beneficiary to whom authorization was already issued by the Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad at the time of issuing authorization for Service Pension. This can be done immediately on receipt of a simple application from that family pension beneficiary duly enclosing the death certificate of the pensioner. In cases, where such family pension beneficiary either predeceases the pensioner or in cases when he / she becomes ineligible for family pension either due to death or due to other conditions imposed in the rules, the family pension is payable to the other family pension beneficiary if he/she is otherwise eligible as per rules. For this purpose, the authorization of the Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / District Audit Officers of State Audit Department is necessary for authorizing the payment of Family Pension to that family pension beneficiary. As such, in cases where the Family Pension Beneficiary in respect of whom authorization was already issued by the Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / District Audit Officer of State Audit, either predeceases the pensioner or becomes ineligible for the Family Pension, the other eligible Family Pension beneficiary has to submit an application form together with the descriptive rolls, in quadruplicate, to the Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / District Audit Officer of State Audit, through the Pension Sanctioning Authority, for issuing fresh authorization to the Pension Disbursing Officer.

9. For this purpose, the following procedure shall be adopted.

- (i) the claimant (i.e) the eligible Family Pension beneficiary has to submit the application for family pension together with the Descriptive Rolls in the formats prescribed in G.O. Ms. No. 263, Fin & Plg. (FW-PSC) Department, Dated:23-11-1998.
- (ii) in the case of claims for family pension by the children (including physically & mentally crippled children) the claim is admissible only if the name of the claimant was included in the list of family members by the service pensioner / earlier family

pensioner, as the case may be, at the time of submission of pension papers for the first time. However, non-inclusion of the name in the case of categories who were not eligible for Family Pension at the time of retirement of the employee, but have become eligible for Family Pension due to their inclusion later would not debar them from claiming family pension.

- (iii) the claimant has to enclose the Death Certificate of the Service Pensioner / earlier Family Pensioner, as the case may be.
- (iv) in cases where the earlier family pensioner became ineligible for family pension either due to re-marriage or other conditions specified in the rules, the claimant has to obtain the information regarding ineligibility, from the earlier family pensioner, in writing, and enclose it in original, to the application for sanctioning family pension.
- (v)(i) If the claimant is a unmarried / widowed / divorced daughter falling under Category-II of family, a self declaration to the effect that she is wholly dependent on the employee / pensioner has to be enclosed.
- (v)(ii) if the claimant is a divorced daughter, an attested copy of the divorce deed has also to be enclosed.
- [v](iii) if the claimant is a widowed daughter, the Death Certificate of her husband together with a certificate from the concerned M.R.O., to the effect that the person specified in the Death Certificate was her husband also have to be enclosed.
- (vi) If the claimant is a parent (i.e) either father or mother of the deceased employee, the Death Certificate of Service Pensioner / earlier Family Pensioner, as the case may be has to be enclosed. A certificate from the concerned M.R.O to the effect that the claimant is the father / mother of the deceased Government employee / service pensioner, has also to be enclosed. In addition, a self declaration by the claimant to the effect that he / she was wholly dependant on the Government employee when he / she was alive and that the deceased employee has left behind neither a widow nor a child also has to be enclosed. In these cases, if the father and mother of the deceased pensioner are both alive, the father is eligible for family pension in preference to the mother. However, if the father is not alive, then the mother is eligible for family pension.

In the case of claim by father, the Pension Sanctioning Authority has to verify the correctness of the name of the father from the Service Book of the employee.

10. In cases where the pension papers are being submitted for the first time, after the issue of this G.O. by the retiring employee, the names of the father and mother of the Government Servant and all the family

members, irrespective of their eligibility or otherwise for Family Pension have to be included in the list of family members form, if they are alive at the time of submission of pension papers.

11. The G.O is available on Internet and can be accessed at the address <http://www.ap.gov.in/goir>. and www.apfinance.gov.in.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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